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Kuipers Selected for Joint Committee on Administrative Rules

*'Committee Will Address Issues that Affect the Daily Lives of
Michigan Residents,' Senator Says*

(LANSING) – State Senator Wayne Kuipers, R-Holland, today announced he has been selected to serve as a member of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules, a legislative committee that promulgates and reviews rules proposed by various state agencies that affect the daily lives of Michigan residents.

“I am pleased that Senator Majority Leader Sikkema selected me to serve on this important committee,” Kuipers said. “The rules made and enforced by this committee have an effect on the daily lives of every Michigan resident, and I look forward to ensuring these rules are adopted and reviewed in the most judicious of ways.”

The committee is a statutorily created bipartisan legislative committee, comprised of five senate members and five house members, which are responsible for the legislative oversight of administrative rules proposed by state agencies. The committee also provides the public a legislative forum in which to express their views about proposed rules.

For example, the committee may address regulations covering the building of a home, or the licensing/certification of a regulated profession.

Three of each chamber’s members represent the majority party and two represent

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he minority party. The Committee chairperson alternates annually between the chambers. Administrative rules are issued by state agencies to implement or apply law enforced or administered by those agencies.

Kuipers also announced earlier this year his selection to chair the Senate Education Committee, and will also serve as vice-chair of the Commerce and Labor and the Transportation Committee.

As chair of the Education Committee, Senator Kuipers will be responsible for overseeing committee legislation that deals primarily with educational policy as well as appropriations.

In his capacity as vice chair of the Senate Transportation Committee, Kuipers will focus on legislation that affects transportation issues across Michigan by developing transportation policy and assessing infrastructure needs.

The Commerce and Labor Committee handles a wide range of legislation from economic development and employee training to finance and tourism.

Senator Wayne Kuipers represents the citizens of the 30th Senate District, which includes all of Ottawa County and the city of Grandville and Sparta Township in Kent County.